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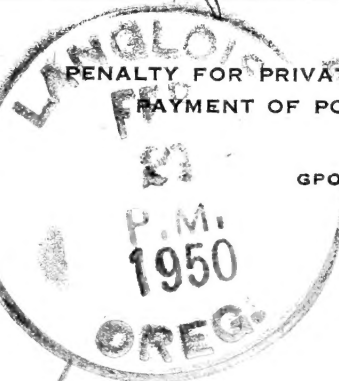
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The following list represents a carefully chosen and select group of species and hybrids of more than usual merit. These have proven themselves not only in my own gardens in Langlois, but in various plantings throughout the United States, including Southern California and the deep South.

As this list is hardly to be considered complete, it should be added that I am prepared to offer many other Lilies upon request. Inquiries from collectors or connoisseurs are also welcomed regarding rare or difficult Lilies and their particular cultural requirements.

Bulbs should be ordered early. Since all Lilies ought to be in the ground no later than November first, I do not ship after that date.

For the novice, remember that drainage is an all important must in growing Lilies. Though they should have plenty of water during the growing season, it must never be allowed to stand around the bulbs. Ideal soil for practically all species is one-third leafmold, one-third good garden loam, and one-third coarse sand and gravel.

As some of you who may have heard me talk will remember, I cannot urge too strongly that a location be decided on before you order, and the soil prepared so that the bulbs can be planted immediately upon their arrival. Unlike tulips or daffodils, many lilies maintain perennial roots, like a tree or shrub, and resent being out of the ground for any length of time. That is why certain Lilies sometimes require a year or so in your garden to reestablish themselves, and why a more or less permanent location should be provided. A low, shallow-rooting ground cover where Lilies are planted helps to keep the soil moist and cool in those localities subject to considerable heat during the summer. Lilies also may be planted to good advantage among such shrubs as Camellias, Rhododendrons, or Azaleas. Color references are based largely upon the Royal Horticultural Society's Color Charts.

## DONALD W. STRYKER

*Langlois, Oregon*

# Lilies . . . . .

L. **AMABILE**—Turkscap flowers on strong slender stalks. Brilliant Indian Orange, spotted Garnet Brown. Plant in full sun or light shade. Will tolerate some drouth. 18 to 30 inches tall. June flowering. Plant 4 inches deep.  
.60 each; 6 for 3.25

L. **AMABILE LUTEUM**—Rare Saffron Yellow form of the above species. June flowering. Plant 4 inches deep.  
1.00 each; 3 for 2.75

L. **AURATUM (TYPE)**—The Gold-Banded lily of Japan. Large, deep, bowl-shaped flowers of white with a central band of golden yellow. Crimson spots. Delightfully fragrant. Three to six feet tall. August blooming. Plant 6 inches deep.  
1.75 each

L. **AURATUM PICTUM**—In this vivid form, the flower is heavily spotted with crimson and the tip of the petal is flushed with crimson.  
4.50 each

L. **AURATUM PLATYPHYLLUM**—A hardier, more robust and massive type, with broader leaves and larger flowers (more than twelve inches across), with the crimson flecking concentrated towards the base of the petals.  
2.00 each

L. **AURELIAN HYBRIDS**—Most important and adaptable of all the new races of hybrids. Crosses between L. Henryi and L. Sargentiae. Four to six feet tall. August blooming. Plant 6 inches deep. A limited quantity of each of the following:

(1) **"HEART'S DESIRE"**—Shallow, wide, flaring bowl shape. Color from creamy white to orange.  
3.00 each

(2) **"SUNBURST"**—Less recurved than L. Henryi, which it otherwise resembles. Colors from white to deep orange.  
3.00 each

(3) **"GOLDEN CLARION"**—More nearly trumpet shaped. Colors range from creamy yellow to deep butter-yellow.  
3.00 each



L. **LONGIFLORUM VAR. "ACE"**—An especially desirable garden form of Easter Lily. Flowers of exceptional substance and hardiness. Excellent for mass border plantings. Blooms in July and August. Plant 6 inches deep. 1.00; 3 for 2.75

L. **MARTAGON ALBUM**—Dainty, waxy white reflexed blossoms, gracefully borne pyramid fashion, on three- to four-foot stems in June. Plant in well drained sunny location, among low shrubs or in woodland, plant no deeper than four inches. 1.50 each; 3 for 4.00

L. **MAXWILL**—Numerous well placed bright orange flowers on tall straight stems. Blooms in July. Plant 6 inches deep, in full sun. .50 each; 6 for 2.50

L. **OCCIDENTALE**—A collector's item. One of the world's rarest lilies, native to a limited portion of the West Coast. The pendulous flowers vary from orange-red to blood red; the yellow-green throat is spotted with maroon. Give it lots of leafmold and peat in a well drained location, and plenty of water during the growing season. Selected bulbs from my garden. July flowering. Plant 4 inches deep. 2.00 each

L. **"OLYMPIC HYBRIDS"**—A strain of vigorous lilies resulting from crosses of the major white trumpet types. Four to six feet tall, it blooms in July, after *L. regale*, with a long flowering period. Plant 6 inches deep. .50 each; 6 for 2.50

L. **"OLYMPIC HYBRIDS" SELECTED**—These have been tagged while in bloom for pleasing and outstanding characteristics of growth and blossom. July. Plant 6 inches deep. 1.25 each; 3 for 3.25

L. **"OLYMPIC HYBRIDS" PINK SELECTIONS**—Within the group, a few large pink trumpets have been found. The color ranges from pink to fuchsia pink. July. Plant 6 inches deep 3.50 each

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- L. **PARDALINUM GIGANTEUM "SUNSET LILY"**—An improved form of the species, one of the most vigorous West Coast natives. This lily grows three to six feet tall in almost any location, preferring light shade. Petals are bright orange, spotted with maroon, and with red tips. If left undisturbed, it readily forms large clumps. July. Plant 6 inches deep. .50 each; 6 for 2.50
- L. **PRESTON HYBRIDS SEEDLINGS**—Red - orange to yellow-orange flowers, nicely placed on the vigorous 18- to 30-inch stems. Flowers last well in the garden or as a cut flower. July. Plant 4 inches deep. .75 each; 6 for 4.00
- L. **"RED BIRD"**—★1949 Introduction—Medium dark red flowers, touched with Saturn Red and with darker spottings. Flowers measure 4½ inches across, partly reflexed, facing outward. Up to 16 blossoms per stem in a graceful raceme, it grows from 3 to 5 feet tall. June-July. Plant 5 inches. 3.00 each
- L. **RUBELLUM**—Dainty, May flowering lily with fragrant, bell-shaped flowers varying from a pale pink to a delicate rose-pink. Bright green leaves on 18- to 24-inch stems. Plant 4 inches deep. 1.75 each
- L. **REGALE "REGAL LILY"**—The stock I am offering has been raised from seed of specially selected parent plants and is definitely superior to the ordinary commercial L. regale, both in form and placement of flowers. It may be planted in full sun or light shade from 5 to 6 inches deep. July flowering. .50 each; 6 for 2.50
- L. **SARGENTIAE**—Large, fragrant white trumpet flowers, with a rosy-purple reverse to the petals, and a golden yellow in the throat. It bears stem-bulbils in the leaf axils. The stalks grow from 3 to 5 feet in height, with numerous flowers in August. Plant in full sun, 6 inches deep. 1.00 each; 3 for 2.75
- L. **SCOTTIAE**—Jasper Red (subtle orange-red) flowers, darker toward the tips, spotted with red-brown. These outward facing flowers are carried on 2-foot stems. Early, mid-May to early June. Plant 4 to 5 inches deep. 1.00 each; 3 for 2.75



(4) SPECIALLY SELECTED SEEDLINGS.

6.00 each

- (5) MEI LING—Mr. Edgar Kline's named clon. An open flower about three and a half inches wide, recurving tips, cream colored shading to old gold in the center. Established plants have stout stems to four and a half feet high with up to twenty five or more flowers.

7.50 each

- L. BELLINGHAM HYBRID SEEDLINGS—Ideal for group plantings at edge of woodland, or for bold clumps that may be left undisturbed. Colors vary from soft yellow, spotted red, to Tangerine Orange with maroon spots. July flowering. Three to six feet tall. Plant 4 to 5 inches.

.75 each; 7.50 dozen

- L. CERNUUM—Exquisite pale pink, fragrant turkscap flowers with wine purple spots, borne on slender stems eighteen to thirty inches high. June-July. Plant 4 inches deep.

.80 each; 6 for 4.25

- L. COLUMBIANUM—Native to the West Coast. Yellow-orange turkscap flowers, spotted purple. Plant in well-drained leafmold, in sun or part shade. Three to five feet high. July. Plant 5 inches deep

.75 each; 6 for 4.00

- L. FORMOSANUM—A late form of this well known white trumpet species. It blooms in August and September, about four to six feet in height. Plant 5 inches deep

.50 each; 6 for 2.50

- L. "GALAHAD"—★ 1949 Introduction—Sulphur yellow trumpet lily from several generations of recrossings among *L. regale*, *L. sulphureum*, and *L. Sargentiae*. Strong and hardy, with as many as fourteen blossoms on pyramidal raceme. July and August. Plant 6 inches deep.

5.00 each

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- L. **GIGANTEUM HIMALAICUM**—Tall (up to ten feet), thick stems, rising from a basal whorl of large, heart-shaped leaves, crowned with large trumpets of white and pale chartreuse green, and with red and purple in the throat. Since blooming size bulbs do not flower well the season after being moved, we furnish only small bulbs that will take a year to establish and another to bloom. These handsome lilies are an outstanding feature in any garden, but they do require complete shade, constant moisture with good drainage, a generous supply of rich food, and shelter from strong winds. The spectacular results are more than worth this extra trouble. Blooms in June and July. Special planting instructions with each bulb.

2.50 each

- L. **HANSONII**—Yellow-orange, thick-petalled flowers somewhat reflexed, the centers spotted with garnet brown. Hardy and adaptable, it grows from three to five feet high. It should be given shade. Blooms in June and July. Plant 4 inches deep.

1.00 each; 3 for 2.75

- L. **HENRYI**—A most adaptable, dependable lily. The flower is shaped like *L. speciosum*, the color is a soft orange with Lettuce Green nectary furrows forming a star in the flower's center. It grows tall (to six feet), and sometimes needs staking, or a shrubbery support. Plant in a shady place 6 inches deep. Blooms in August.

Extra Size bulbs-1.00; 3 for 2.75

- L. **HUMBOLDTII MAGNIFICUM**—A California native, usually four to six feet tall, with up to twenty reflexed martagon or turkscap blossoms of golden orange, spotted with maroon. Plant in a shady location with considerable leafmold. July. Plant 6 inches deep.

1.50 each

- L. **JAPONICUM**—Delicate rose-pink funnel-shaped flowers on slender stems. Very lovely fragrant blossoms in June. From eighteen to thirty inches tall. Plant 4 inches deep.

1.75 each

- L. "SHUKSAN"—A named clon, and one of the best of Dr. David C. Griffith's Bellingham Hybrids. The irregularly reflexed flowers are Cadmium Orange flushed with red at the tips. The spotting is most interesting: at the center are small dark maroon flecks, farther out on the petal these have a surrounding margin of lighter red. July. Plant 5 to 6 inches deep. .75 each; 6 for 4.00
- L. SPECIOSUM ALBUM—From my own clon of this highly prized white form. It does best in shade and is very elegant against a green background. It also is lovely as a cut flower. Blooms August and September. Plant 6 inches deep. 2.00 each
- L. SPECIOSUM MAGNIFICUM—The finest of the variations of this species both as to size and color of the blossoms, which are suffused with crimson. August and September. Plant 6 inches deep. 2.00 each
- L. SPECIOSUM PUNCTATUM—The flowers are delicately flushed with soft rose-pink, the papillae are deeper pink to crimson, and the petal margins are white, fluted. August and September. Plant 6 inches deep. 2.00 each
- L. SPECIOSUM RUBRUM—Perhaps the best known of the type. Petals are flushed Tyrian Rose, the papillae are a deeper shade of this red. Excellent for gardens or pot culture, they are widely used for exceptionally striking corsages by florists. August and September. Plant 6 inches deep 1.50; 3 for 4.00
- L. "VIKING"—★1949 Introduction—A vigorous cross between *L. tigrinum* and *L. Wilmottiae*, its color, Saturn Red, is related to both. Established plants grow easily to 6 feet in height, with strong, graceful stems bearing up to 36 or more blooms on a long raceme. Blossoms are turkscap, nodding. The lower bloom pedicels carry secondary buds so that there are open blossoms over the whole spike for a long period. Mid-July through early August. Plant 5 inches deep. 3.00 each

**FOR THOSE INTERESTED, I will be glad to send upon request a listing of hand-pollinated seeds, both species and hybrids, from my garden.**

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### **GUARANTEE**

All bulbs are guaranteed to be true to name, clean, and healthy, and, except where specifically noted, of blooming size. They are shipped at the proper time, when they are freshly dug and their roots alive and ready to grow, and shipped in a medium to provide the necessary moisture until their arrival. Since further growing conditions are beyond my control, no further guarantee can be supplied.

### **TERMS**

Unless otherwise requested, all bulbs sent parcel post, prepaid on orders of \$5.00 or more. Smaller orders please include 50c for handling charges.